# AGENDA

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMITTEE

## Tuesday, August 9, 2011, 7:00 p.m.
## El Cerrito City Hall – Council Chambers
10890 San Pablo Avenue
## This Meeting Place Is Wheelchair Accessible

**Roll Call: Chair Egherman, Vice-Chair Weinstein, Members Miner, Krueger, Benjamin, Dandridge, Spitalnik, Corwin, Pavel, Goudey, and Huang**

1. **Comments from the public on non-agenda items – 7:00**
   *Speakers are limited to 3 minutes for comment on non-agenda items. Comments regarding items on the agenda may be brought during discussion of those items and are subject to the same limits.*

2. **Recognition of resigning member – 7:10**
   Jennifer Hammer is resigning from the Committee. Thanks for all of your great work, Jenny.

3. **Approval of the Minutes – 7:15**
   Consider a motion adopting the minutes of the Regular Committee meeting on July 12.

4. **Update on Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Financing – 7:20**
   Hear staff update regarding PACE financing and pending action on this topic.

5. **Discuss idea of utilizing experts to assist EQC in "advisory capacity" role – 7:30**
   Discuss interest in incorporating expert advice to better fulfill the EQC's advisory role.

6. **Committee goal activity and project updates – 7:45**
   Hear updates from members regarding Committee business and subcommittee/ad hoc working group activities, with particular attention to current Committee goals and focus areas. Provide feedback and direction on other activities/projects as needed.
   - Policies and Programs: *Projects:* Food ware Ordinance & Communication Plan. Green Business Outreach and Promotion. CCA Tracking.
   - Community Involvement and Outreach: *Projects:* Eco-Film Series, Green Teams, Environmental Chats. Next meeting is August 23. Discussion of prospective / upcoming Green Teams events/activities, including:
     - Consideration of a plan for natural history docents – educational tours to riparian and other wild land habitats open to the public, students, etc.
     - September 17 Cerrito Creek "Hot-Spot" Clean-up, in conjunction with Coastal Clean-up Day
     - Assistance in the distribution of recycling collection bags to multi-family dwellings

7. **Committee and liaison announcements, member announcements, and future agenda items – 8:30**
   Hear brief announcements about Council, staff and EQC liaison activities, member announcements and future EQC agenda items. Council Liaison Updates (Abelson). Staff Liaison Updates (Schultz, Sanders, Mintz); Collaborative municipal solar PV procurement.
   August 15, Animals Ordinance at City Council, 7:30 p.m. (Council Chambers) – Postponed, TBD.
   August 16, Smart Home Workshop, 7 p.m. (Council Chambers)
   August 25, Solid Waste Rates Public Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Council Chambers)
   September 21, Compostable food ware meeting for food service businesses, 10 a.m. (Council Chambers)

8. **Adjournment – 8:45**

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